

EDWARD A. SILVIA

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Mr. WHERRY, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 1918]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1918) for the relief of Edward A. Silvia, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with the recommendation that the bill do pass without amendment.

The facts are fully set forth in House Report No. 635, Seventy-eighth Congress, first session, which is appended hereto and made a part of this report.

[H. Rept. No. 635, 78th Cong., 1st sess.]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1918) for the relief of Edward A. Silvia, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with an amendment and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

The amendment is as follows:

Page 1, line 7, strike out the figure "\$7,500" and insert in lieu thereof the figure "\$2,500".

The purpose of the proposed legislation is to pay to Edward A. Silvia, of Quincy, Mass., the sum of 2,500, in full settlement of all claims against the United States for personal injuries, medical, and hospital expenses sustained as the result of being struck by a United States Army vehicle on June 26, 1942.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

About 11:30 p. m. on June 26, 1942, a Chrysler sedan owned and operated by John J. Mulveyhill, Somerville, Mass., was stopped at the right-hand side of United States Highway No. 3 in Quincy, Mass., to discharge two passengers,

Edward A. Silvia, and Andrew Nelson, both of Quincy. It appears that the automobile in question had been driven partly into a cemetery entrance, but apparently not entirely off the traveled part of the road. The night was clear and dark, and the road was dry. It further appears that the two passengers, after alighting, went around to the left side of the car and were talking with the driver, and that at this moment an Army reconnaissance car, on official business, operated by a noncommissioned officer, approached from the rear and struck the left rear side of the Chrysler sedan and the two men.

As a result of the accident Mr. Silvia sustained injuries which, according to the records of the Quincy City Hospital, to which institution he was taken on June 26, 1942, for treatment, were diagnosed as follows: Fractured skull, subconjunctival hemorrhage right eye, sprain right shoulder, laceration knee, left with multiple contusions and abrasions. Hospital expenses were incurred in the sum of \$297.80.

Mr. Silvia was absent from his position as timekeeper at the Bethlehem Steel Shipbuilding Corporation from June 26, 1942, through August 9, 1942, and the loss of wages sustained by him because of such absence totaled \$249.24. He was 30 years of age at the time of the accident, married, his wife, Ethel Silvia, being 29 years of age and not engaged in any remunerative employment, but wholly dependent upon her husband. The couple have no children.

In its report the War Department admits the Government's liability, stating, in part:

"It is the view of the War Department that the proximate cause of the accident was the negligence of the driver of the Government vehicle in failing to be on the alert and attentive to his driving duties, and that under the facts disclosed in this case Mr. Silvia was not guilty of contributory negligence. \* \* \* Under the circumstances it is believed that Mr. Silvia should be compensated for the medical and hospital expenses incurred by him, and for the amount in wages which he lost by reason of his injuries, and that he should also be paid a fair and reasonable amount for the personal injuries he received. However, it is the view of the War Department that the amount stated in the bill, \$7,500, is excessive \* \* \*"

After having carefully considered the evidence your committee feel that an award of \$2,500, including medical and hospital expenses, would be reasonable in this case.

Your committee, therefore, recommend favorable consideration of the proposed legislation.

Appended hereto is the report of the War Department, together with other pertinent evidence, all of which is made a part of this report.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
Washington, D. C., May 17, 1943.

HON. DAN R. MCGEEHEE,  
*Chairman, Committee on Claims,  
House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. MCGEEHEE: The War Department is opposed to the enactment of H. R. 1918, Seventy-eighth Congress, in its present form. This bill would authorize and direct the Secretary of the Treasury to pay to Edward A. Silvia, of Quincy, Mass., the sum of \$7,500 in full settlement of all claims against the United States for medical and hospital expenses and for personal injuries received as the result of being struck by a United States Army vehicle on June 26, 1942. However, the Department would interpose no objection to the enactment of the bill if amended to pay to Mr. Silvia the sum of \$1,547.04.

On June 26, 1942, about 11:30 p. m., a Chrysler sedan owned and operated by John J. Mulveyhill, 18 Robinson Street, Somerville, Mass., was stopped at the right-hand side of United States Highway No. 3 in Quincy, Mass., to discharge two passengers, Edward A. Silvia, 25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy, and Andrew Nelson, 152 Putnam Street, Quincy. It appears that the automobile in question had been driven partly into a cemetery entrance, but apparently not entirely off the traveled part of the road. The night was clear and dark, and the road was dry. It further appears that the two passengers, after alighting, went around to the left side of the car and were talking with the driver, and that at this moment an Army reconnaissance car, on official business, operated by a noncommissioned officer, approached from the rear and struck the left rear side of the Chrysler sedan and the two men.

The driver of the Army vehicle made the following statement to a police officer on June 27, 1942:

"On June 27, 1942 as I was driving a jeep Army car from the Fore River Club to Quincy stadium, I collided with another car which was parked and I hit the rear left side of his car, also two men who were standing alongside the parked car. They were taken to the hospital by a police ambulance. I did not see their car in time to swing out. My lights were on low beam."

The civilian driver stated:

"I had stopped, pulling into cemetery driveway to allow my two passengers to get out. They walked around the back of the car and stepped in close to left side of my car when small United States Army vehicle struck my rear bumper a glancing blow, then struck the two men. One man was thrown approximately 20 feet; the other fell alongside the car. All my lights were on and the entrance to the cemetery is well lit."

As a result of the accident Mr. Silvia sustained injuries which, according to the records of the Quincy City Hospital, to which institution he was taken on June 26, 1942, for treatment, were diagnosed by Dr. F. P. Constanza, as follows:

"Fractured skull, subconjunctival hemorrhage right eye, sprain right shoulder, laceration knee, left with multiple contusions and abrasions."

Dr. Constanza also reported that Mr. Silvia suffered with "pain in head." The physical examination report of Dr. Constanza, made while Mr. Silvia was in the hospital, is as follows:

"Physical examination: Head—swelling and tenderness right parietal area, small laceration; eyes—right eye, massive hemorrhage of conjunctiva. No abnormal vision; ears—negative; mouth—small laceration under surface of tongue, left side; chest—contusion of lower ribs, both sides, painful on lateral pressure; abdomen—negative; heart—negative; extremities—4-inch laceration and also a 1-inch laceration, back of left knee, extensive hematoma with discoloration, left lower leg; right shoulder—sprain, marked discoloration upper, and from shoulder to elbow, sprain, painful and limited motion; abrasion, left shoulder area; contusion with ecchymosis of both buttocks."

The records of the hospital further show the following report of an X-ray examination of Mr. Silvia:

"X-ray: June 29, 1942—Stereoscopic lateral examination of the skull shows a linear fracture of the right parietal bone with no depression. Neck and ribs negative."

"CHARLES WHELAN, M. D., *Roentgenologist.*"

Mr. Silvia was discharged from the hospital on July 9, 1942, and he was carried home in an ambulance. The hospital records state his condition as "improved" at the time of discharge.

A report from Dr. Charles Whelan, 395 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass., dated July 31, 1942, reads as follows:

"Re: Edward Silvia.

"Check-up examination of the skull in three diameters, including a stereoscopic lateral view, still shows a linear crack through the right parietal bone with no depression. The rest of the skull is negative.

"Examination of the left wrist from a point 4 inches proximal to joint to a point 4 inches distal shows no evidence of bone pathology. The bone relationships throughout the wrist joint are good."

Mr. Silvia stated recently that he has recurring dizzy spells and headaches, but he is unable to state whether they are a result of his injury.

The records of the War Department indicate that the following expenses have been incurred by Mr. Silvia as a result of the accident:

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Quincy City Hospital          | \$122.80 |
| Dr. Charles Whelan            | 15.00    |
| Dr. F. P. Constanza           | 75.00    |
| Mrs. Margaret Godfrey (nurse) | 75.00    |
| Miss Mary E. Hurley (nurse)   | 10.00    |
| Total                         | 297.80   |

According to information in the files of the War Department, Mr. Silvia was absent from his position as timekeeper at the Bethlehem Steel Shipbuilding Corporation from June 26, 1942, through August 9, 1942, and the loss of wages sustained by him because of such absence totaled \$249.24.

It further appears that Mr. Silvia was 30 years of age at the time of the accident; that he is married; that his wife, Ethel Silvia, is 29 years of age and is not engaged in any remunerative employment, being totally dependent upon her husband for her support; and that the couple have no children.

No formal claim has been filed with the War Department by Mr. Silvia for the damages sustained by him as the result of this accident.

It is the view of the War Department that the proximate cause of the accident was the negligence of the driver of the Government vehicle in failing to be on the alert and attentive to his driving duties, and that under the facts disclosed in this case Mr. Silvia was not guilty of contributory negligence (see *Millay v. Town Taxi, Inc.*, 242 Mass. 314, 136 N. E. 127; *Stowe v. Mason*, 289 Mass. 577, 194 N. E. 671, 674). Under the circumstances it is believed that Mr. Silvia should be compensated for the medical and hospital expenses incurred by him, and for the amount in wages which he lost by reason of his injuries, and that he should also be paid a fair and reasonable amount for the personal injuries he received. However, it is the view of the War Department that the amount stated in the bill, \$7,500, is excessive. It is evident that Mr. Silvia suffered a serious injury in the fracture of his skull which may, or may not, result in permanent partial disability. However, as his physician states that the fracture of the skull shows no evidence of depression, it is probable that Mr. Silvia will suffer no serious permanent disability as a result of this injury. It is believed that an appropriation of \$1,547.04 (\$1,000 for personal injury; \$297.80 for medical and hospital expenses; and \$249.24 for loss of wages) would be a fair and reasonable award.

The fiscal effect of the bill is manifest upon its face.

The Bureau of the Budget advises that there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely yours,

HENRY L. STIMSON,  
Secretary of War.

I, Edward A. Silvia, of 25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy, Mass., do hereby state on oath that I am a citizen of the United States; that I was born in Fall River, Mass., on July 17, 1911; that on June 26, 1942, I was employed by the Bethlehem Steel Co., shipbuilding division, at Quincy, Mass.; that on said date, after finishing my work, I left the said Bethlehem Steel Co. plant to go to my home; that I was working on the night shift; that I rode in an automobile belonging to one John J. Mulveyhill, a fellow employee, whose residence is 18 Robinson Street, Somerville, Mass., and whose automobile registration was Massachusetts No. 660655 for the year 1942. There was also in said automobile one Andrew Nelson, another employee of the Bethlehem Steel Co., whose address I do not know at the present time; that when we reached Greenleaf Street, the said automobile stopped and was parked on the southern artery, so-called, at the driveway to the Wollaston Cemetery in said Quincy. The left wheels of the said automobile were about 2 feet into the roadway and the remainder of the automobile was within the entrance to the said cemetery; that when the said Mulveyhill automobile came to a standstill, I, together with Nelson, got out of the same to go to our respective homes, my home being about 2 blocks from where the said automobile was stopped.

When we got out of said automobile Nelson and myself went to the left side of the same and were standing close to it talking with Mulveyhill when a United States Army vehicle, commonly known as a jeep, and bearing registration USA-W2033-347 and at the time being operated by Staff Sgt. Rene W. McCreedy, connected with the Sixty-eighth Coast Artillery (antiaircraft), going in a northerly direction at a fast rate of speed, collided with the rear end of the Mulveyhill automobile and then struck me, throwing me against Mr. Nelson and then throwing me a distance of 20 or 25 feet.

As a result of the said accident I was rendered unconscious, taken to the city of Quincy Hospital, where I was confined from June 26, 1942, to July 9, 1942; that as a result of said accident I received a concussion of the brain, fracture of the skull, a severe cut requiring six stitches behind my left knee, and numerous abrasions and contusions throughout my whole body. On July 9, 1942, I was removed from the said Quincy Hospital by ambulance and taken to my home where I was confined for several weeks; that I returned to work on August 10, 1942; that while I returned to my employment on that date, I have continued to have severe spells of dizziness, constant headache, and inability to enjoy the required and necessary sleep.



I understand that Staff Sgt. Rene W. McCready, who was the operator of the vehicle belonging to the United States Army which ran into me, was at the time stationed at the Fore River Club in Quincy and at the time of the said accident was on his way from the said Fore River Club to the Quincy Stadium.

At the time of the accident at 11:30 p. m. on June 26, 1942, the weather conditions were favorable, a clear uncloudy night, the weather was dry, and the road was dry and traffic was very light.

I understand that the Army certification number of Staff Sgt. Rene W. McCready is A. S. N. 6142244.

EDWARD A. SILVIA.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*Norfolk County, ss:*

*Quincy, Mass., February 13, 1943.*

Then personally appeared the above-named Edward A. Silvia and made oath that the above statement by him subscribed is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Before me,

[SEAL]

HENRY CUTLER, *Notary Public.*

My commission expires June 3, 1949.

I, John J. Mulveyhill, of 411 Medford Street, Somerville, Mass., do state under oath that on the night of June 26, 1942, left my place of employment, Bethlehem Steel Co., shipbuilding division, Quincy, Mass. accompanied by Edward A. Silvia, of 25 Woodward Avenue, and Andrew Nelson, of 152 Putnam Street, both of Quincy, Mass. We rode in my car to the entrance of the Mount Wollaston Cemetery, on the southern artery, opposite Greenleaf Street. There I stopped my car and both Silvia and Nelson got out of the car on the right side. The car was stopped in such a position that the left wheels were on the roadway for about 1 foot and the rest of the car was in the entrance to the cemetery. Silvia and Nelson went around the rear of the car and came up to the window on the left side of the car and were standing close to the car talking to me.

An Army vehicle, called a jeep, struck the rear of my car and then struck Silvia with such force that his body struck Nelson and pushed him, Nelson, up onto the hood of my car, while Silvia's body was thrown down the roadway for a distance of about 25 feet. I got out of my car and, seeing Nelson getting up of his own volition, I went and tried to help Silvia. He was lying in the roadway, unconscious. At that time a Catholic priest, unknown to me, stopped and administered the last rites of the church to Silvia. A short while later a police ambulance arrived on the scene and, after a preliminary examination, took Silvia and Nelson to the Quincy City Hospital. After striking Silvia, the jeep continued down the road in a northerly direction and then came back to the scene at almost the same time as the police arrived. This complete experience took only 4 or 5 minutes.

The weather on June 26, 1942 was clear and the roadway was dry. Traffic was light, the time being about 11:30 p. m.

JOHN J. MULVEYHILL.

FEBRUARY 20, 1943.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*County of Middlesex.*

Then personally appeared before me, a notary public, John J. Mulveyhill, who made oath to above statement.

[SEAL]

ERNEST MCKENNEY VOSE, *Notary Public.*

I, Andrew Nelson of 152 Putnam Street, Quincy, Mass., do hereby state on oath that I am a citizen of the United States.

I also state that on the night of June 26, 1942, I rode home from my work at the Bethlehem Steel Co., shipbuilding division, at Quincy, in the automobile owned and operated by John J. Mulveyhill, whose address is 18 Robinson Street, Somerville, Mass., along with Edward A. Silvia, whose address is 25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy, Mass.

When we reached Greenleaf Street, Mulveyhill stopped his automobile off the roadway of the southern artery in such a manner that the left wheels of the car were in the roadway about 2 feet and the rest of the car was within the entrance

to the Mount Wollaston Cemetery. When the car had stopped, I, together with Silvia, got out of the car on the right side and went around the rear of the car to the left side where we stood close to the car talking to Mulveyhill.

An Army vehicle, known as a jeep hit the rear of the Mulveyhill car and then struck Silvia, throwing his body against me with such force that I was thrown onto the hood of the Mulveyhill car. My next impression was to see Mulveyhill holding Silvia's head in his lap at a point in the roadway about 25 feet from the front of the Mulveyhill car. A short while later a police ambulance arrived on the scene and took both myself and Silvia to the Quincy City Hospital.

At the time of the accident the weather was clear, the road was dry, and traffic was light. This accident occurred at about 11:30 p. m. on the night of June 26, 1942.

At the present time I am a student at Massachusetts State College, Amherst, Mass., and room at the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house on the campus of the college.

ANDREW NELSON.

FEBRUARY 16, 1943.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*Hampshire County, ss:*

Sworn to before me.

[SEAL]

JOHN K. BROADFOOT,  
*Justice of the Peace.*

My commission expires February 8, 1946.

ATLANTIC, MASS.

To: EDWARD A. SILVIA,  
25 Woodward Ave., Quincy, Mass.:

For professional services rendered from June 27, 1942, to July 11, 1942, inclusive, \$75.

Paid in full.

MARGARET A. GODFREY.

I certify that the above account is correct and that the service was rendered as a result of injuries to Edward A. Silvia on June 26, 1942, when struck by Army vehicle No. U. S. A. W2033347 at Quincy, Mass.

MARGARET A. GODFREY.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*Norfolk County ss:*

SEPTEMBER 29, 1942.

Sworn to before me.

[SEAL]

HENRY CUTLER, *Notary Public.*

My commission expires June 3, 1949.

# CITY OF QUINCY HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT

QUINCY, MASS.

Date: September 23, 1942.

No.: 119073

Account of Mr. Edward Silvia, 25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy, Mass.

|                |                           |         |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------|
| June 26, 1942. | Accident room.....        | \$3. 00 |
| June 27, 1942. | Urinalysis.....           | 1. 00   |
| June 29, 1942. | X-ray, skull.....         | 10. 00  |
|                | X-ray, spine.....         | 10. 00  |
|                | X-ray, ribs.....          | 10. 00  |
| July 7, 1942.  | Special medicine.....     | . 30    |
|                | Nurses' board.....        | 7. 50   |
|                | 1 day's board at \$4..... | 4. 00   |
|                | 12 days at \$6.....       | 72. 00  |
| July 9, 1942.  | Ambulance.....            | 5. 00   |
|                | Total.....                | 122. 80 |
|                | Paid on account.....      | 122. 80 |
|                | Balance.....              | 000     |

I certify that the above account is correct and that the service was rendered as the result of injury to E. A. Silvia on June 26, 1942, by Army vehicle No. W2033347 at Quincy, Mass.

JOSEPH P. LEONE, M. D.,  
*Superintendent.*

Norfolk ss:

Sworn to before me SEPTEMBER, 29, 1942.

[SEAL]

HENRY CUTLER, *Notary Public.*

My commission expires June 3, 1949.

QUINCY, MASS., *September 2, 1942.*

Mr. EDWARD SILVIA,  
25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy.

To professional services rendered for injuries received as a result of an auto accident June 26, 1942, \$50.

I certify that the above account is correct and that the service was rendered as a result of injuries to Edward A. Silvia on June 26, 1942, when struck by an Army vehicle No. U. S. A. W2033347 at Quincy, Mass.

Received payment in full September 22, 1942.

FRED P. COSTANZA.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*Norfolk County, ss:*

Sworn to before me September 29, 1942.

[SEAL]

HENRY CUTLER, *Notary Public.*

My commission expires June 3, 1949.

QUINCY, MASS., *July 30, 1942.*

Mr. EDWARD SILVIA,  
25 Woodward Ave., Quincy, Mass.

For professional services:

|               |                               |       |          |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-------|----------|
| July 30, 1942 | X-ray examination, skull      | ----- | \$10. 00 |
|               | X-ray examination, left wrist | ----- | 5. 00    |

15. 00

Paid in full.

I certify that the above account is correct and that the service was rendered as a result of injuries to Edward A. Silvia on June 26, 1942, when struck by Army vehicle No. U. S. A. W2033347 at Quincy, Mass.

CHARLES WHELAN, M. D.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1942.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*Norfolk County, ss:*

Sworn to before me

[SEAL]

HENRY CUTLER, *Notary Public.*

My commission expires June 3, 1949.

BETHLEHEM STEEL Co.,  
SHIPBUILDING DIVISION,  
Quincy, Mass., *September 7, 1942.*

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Edward A. Silvia was absent from work, June 27, 1942, to August 10, 1942, inclusive.

During this time he lost wages to amount of \$249.24.

Very truly yours,

T. H. WEBB, *Relief Department.*

SEPTEMBER 7, 1942.

*County of Norfolk, ss:*  
Commonwealth of MASSACHUSETTS,

Then personally appeared before me, the above-named T. H. Webb, and made oath that the foregoing statements were true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

[SEAL]

EARL G. CLUGSTON,  
*Notary Public.*

My commission expires December 24, 1947.

BRAINTREE, MASS.

To: EDWARD A. SILVIA,  
25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy, Mass.

For professional services rendered June 27, 1942, and June 28, 1942, \$10.  
Paid in full.

MAY E. HURLEY, R. N.

I certify that the above account is correct and that the service was rendered as a result of injuries to Edward A. Silvia on June 26, 1942, when struck by Army vehicle No. U. S. A. W2033347 at Quincy, Mass.

MARY E. HURLEY, R. N.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1942.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
*Norfolk County, ss:*

Sworn to before me.

[SEAL]

HENRY CUTLER, *Notary Public*

My commission expires June 3, 1949.

CITY OF QUINCY, MASS., POLICE HEADQUARTERS,  
*July 1, 1942.*

Hon. FRANK M. SILVIA,  
*Second District Court of Bristol,*  
*Fall River, Mass.*

DEAR JUDGE SILVIA: In regards to the accident of June 26, 1942, at 11:30 p. m. Sgt. Rene W. McCready of the United States Army, stationed at the Fore River Club in Quincy, was operating an Army jeep, registration 2033-347 on the southern artery, from the Fore River Club to the Quincy Stadium. McCready was driving on the low beam at the time and hit the rear left of a parked car, also two men who were standing alongside the parked car. They were taken to the Quincy City Hospital in a police ambulance.

John J. Mulveyhill, of 18 Robinson Street, Somerville, license number 919-482, operator and owner of a Chrysler sedan, Massachusetts registration 660-655, was stopped on the Southern Artery at the driveway to the Wollaston Cemetery to allow his two passengers to get out. They walked around the back of the car and stepped in close to the left side of his car to talk to Mulveyhill when this Army jeep came along and hit the rear bumper of this car a glancing blow and then struck the two men standing alongside, one of the men being your son, Edward A. Sylvia. One of the men was thrown about 20 feet and the other fell alongside the car. At the present time we do not know which of the young men were thrown after being hit as we have not had a personal interview with either operator as of this date.

At the present time this is about all the information we have had reported on this accident and if we can be of further assistance to you in the future on this case please feel free to call upon us.

I visited your son at the Quincy Hospital on Tuesday, June 30, and he seems to be on the road to recovery.

Assuring you of our cooperation at all times, I remain

Respectfully yours,

JAMES W. KEMP. *Lieutenant of Police.*



QUINCY CITY HOSPITAL,  
Quincy, Mass.

Edward A. Silvia, 25 Woodward Avenue, Quincy. Ward: Msl. Dr. Fred P. Costanza. No. 119073. Age: 30. Male. White.

Admitted: June 26, 1942, 11:50 p. m. Discharged: July 9, 1942, 1:35 p. m.

Working diagnosis: Concussion. Laceration leg, contusion ribs.

Final diagnosis: Fractured skull, subconjunctival hemorrhage right eye, sprain right shoulder, laceration knee, left with multiple contusions and abrasions.

F. P. COSTANZA, M. D.

Came for relief of: Fractured skull.

Family history: Father and mother, two brothers and one sister.

Personal history: Usual childhood diseases. Cardiorenal: Negative. Gastro-intestinal: Negative. Genito-urinary: Negative. No operations. First auto accident.

Present illness: Patient struck by car, rendered unconscious and taken to the Quincy City Hospital; admitted after first aid was given.

Subjective symptoms: Pain in head—laceration.

F. P. COSTANZA, M. D.

Accident room report: Admitted: June 26, 1942, 11:30 p. m. Diagnosis: Concussion; one-half-inch laceration scalp; abrasion left face; contusion right ribs ? fracture; 4-inch laceration left knee (popliteal area); 1-inch laceration same area; contusion left calf; hematoma calf, left; ecchymosis right eye.

Treatment: Suture of wound.

Accident: While getting out of car was hit by car USA operator Rene W. McCreedy A. S. N. 6142244, staff sergeant. Occurred corner of Greenleaf and Southern Artery.

General condition of patient: Fair.

Admit to SI.

Orders: Ice bag to eye for 1 hour every 4 hours. Blood pressure in a. m. Luminal gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  for sleep.

F. P. COSTANZA, M. D.

X-ray: June 29, 1942; stereoscopic lateral examination of the skull shows a linear fracture of the right parietal bone with no depression. Neck and ribs negative.

CHARLES WHELAN, M. D., *Roentgenologist.*

Progress notes: June 26, 1942. Patient admitted following auto accident; received first aid, complaining pain in chest and leg. June 30, 1942. Patient complaining pain right side head and jaw; no headaches, complained aches all over. July 3, 1942. Condition improving. July 7, 1942. No complaints. July 9, 1942. Discharged, improved.

Physical examination: Head: Swelling and tenderness right parietal area, small laceration. Eyes: Right eye massive hemorrhage of conjunctiva. No abnormal vision. Ears: Negative. Mouth: Small laceration under surface of tongue, left side. Chest: Contusion of lower ribs, both sides, painful on lateral pressure. Abdomen: Negative. Heart: Negative. Extremities: Four-inch laceration and also a 1-inch laceration back of left knee. Extensive hematoma with discoloration left lower leg. Right shoulder: Sprain, marked discoloration upper and from shoulder to elbow. Sprain, painful and limited motion. Abrasion left shoulder area. Contusion with ecchymosis of both buttocks.

E. P. COSTANZA, M. D.

